

Abstract

Method and apparatus for creating and maintaining dynamic group addresses for facilitating Push-to-Talk over Cellular (PoC) group communication sessions among mobile stations in a communications network are disclosed. In one embodiment the method comprises receiving at least one rule defining a member of the dynamic group in association with a group address; and populating the dynamic group with members from said mobile stations determined in accordance with the at least one rule. Rules may be defined with reference to presence and/or location information available for the mobile stations. Such information may be published on behalf of the stations to one or more servers adapted to identify mobile stations matching the rules. The method may comprise subscribing to the servers to obtain the matching mobile stations with which to populate dynamic group addresses.